

SECTION 00100
INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, will receive bids for the construction of two new Salt/Sand Storage Buildings located in Martin City and Kalispell, MT. All sealed bids, plainly marked **"Salt/Sand Storage Buildings"** must be in the hands of the Board of County Commissioners, Flathead County, 800 South Main, Room 302, Kalispell, Montana 59901, before **4:30 o'clock p.m., on March 24th, 2021**. Bids will be opened and read aloud the **following day at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on March 25th, 2021** in the Commissioners' Chambers, Third Floor, County Courthouse at 800 South Main, Kalispell, Montana. A recommendation based on the bids received will be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for review and approval at the **March 30th, 2021** board meeting.

There will be a pre-bid conference starting at the 'Sheepherders Pit' 203 West Valley Drive, Kalispell and proceeding on to the 'Gladys Glen Pit', Gladys Glen Road, Martin City, Montana at 1:00 PM local time on March 18, 2021. Interested contractors are encouraged to attend. This Pre-Bid conference is not mandatory; however, will be an opportunity for introductions, summary of the project, a brief question and answer session, and reviewing the site.

The project generally consists of the construction of two (2) identical salt/sand storage buildings located at the 'Gladys Glen Pit' on Gladys Glen Road in Martin City and at the "Sheepherders Pit", 203 West Valley Drive in Kalispell. The buildings will be nominal 50'x50' Pole Barn structures, with a metal roof on 2x purlins with partially sheathed walls on the two (2) side walls and the back walls. Below the partially sheathed walls there will be 6 ft high "Eco Block" "retaining" walls.

The contract documents, consisting of drawings and the project manual, may be examined or obtained at the office of Jackola Engineering and Architecture, PC, 2250 Hwy 93 South, Kalispell MT 59901. A non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 per set is required. An additional non-refundable payment of \$50.00 is required for documents sent by express mail.

Each bidder should submit bids for and produce a schedule showing when the work can be started and completed. Warranties and schedules will be considered when determining the bid that is in the best interest of Flathead County and will be included in the contract.

Each bidder must deposit with his/her bid, a bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid. Bid security shall be payable to Flathead County and shall be in the form of lawful money of the United States, a cashier's check, certified check, bank money order, or bank draft issued by a banking corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Montana, or bid bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to do business in Montana.

No bidder may withdraw a bid after the actual date of the opening thereof.

The selected bidder will, within 15 days, enter into a formal contract for the completion of the project. A Performance Bond and Labor and Materials Payment Bond each in the amount of One Hundred percent (100%) of the contract sum will be required of the successful bidder, to secure the contractor's covenant to faithfully perform all of the conditions of the contract in accordance with the law and that contract. The successful bidder will also be required to provide current proof of Worker's Compensation insurance and/or an independent contractor certification from the State, and General Liability and Automobile insurance policies, with Flathead County as an additional insured as listed in the documents.

The successful bidder must contract to pay prevailing wage rates, set by the Montana Department of Labor, and will be subject to withholding of 1% of all payments for transmittal to the Department of Revenue to pay the public contract tax. The Contractor and all subcontractors will be required to have a certificate of registration from the Montana Department of Labor and Industry in the proper classification prior to bidding this project. Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, P.O. Box 8011, 1805 Prospect, Helena, Montana 59604-8011. The successful bidder must contract to give preference to the employment of bona fide residents of Montana in the performance of the work pursuant to MCA Section 18-1-102. A resident bidder will be allowed a preference against the bid of any nonresident bidder from any state or country that enforces a preference for resident bidders equal to the preference given in the other state or country.

Flathead County reserves the right to accept or reject any bid and to waive any irregularities which are deemed to be in the best interest of the County.

The award of bid will be made solely by the issuance of a letter of award to the successful bidder by the Office of the Flathead County Board of Commissioners.

Dated this **2nd day of March, 2021.**

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

/s/ Randy L. Brodehl
Randy L. Brodehl, Chairman

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